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SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 1884.

### LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

Dry stove wood at Geo. Ehrhart's, 184.

Court adjourned last evening until Monday morning.

Order your coal of George Ehrhart, 184.

Buy all-wool flannel waists at B. Stine's, 66-67.

Choice milk and canned oysters at Wood Bros', 66-67.

New mixed candies 15c per pound at Wood Bros', 66-67.

Zephyrs and cravens at cost, at Miss Watson's, 64-65.

Telephone Geo. Ehrhart when you want nice clean coal, 184.

Home made broken candy 20c per pound at Wood Bros', 66-67.

All-wool red flannel drawers, at B. Stine's, 75 cents a pair, 66-67.

Fine cigars and choice confections at Combs & Inman's, 64-65.

For a dress or business suit go to Ed. Doe, Central Block, 66-67.

Ed. Doe has just received a lot of the best cuttings in the city, 66-67.

A handsome line of candy boxes on the holidays at Wood Bros', 66-67.

William Robinson, an old citizen of Southville, died in that city on Thursday.

Grants genuine alligator slippers for Christmas at Powers & Haworth's, 10-11.

Best 25 cent dinner in the city at Krieb's lunch room, 145 E. Prairie St., 26-27.

An elegant line of Gold Pens and Pencils at the City Book Store, 66-67.

Trimmed hats and caps at less than cost, Miss Watson's, Haworth Block, 64-65.

Jack's excessive scheme of running trade excursions to that city was a flat failure.

Oranges, lemons and all kinds of dried and canned fruits for sale at May Bros, 19-20.

The Christmas number of the Lincoln Herald reached us yesterday. It is neatly gotten up.

Gents' smoking jackets, the latest novelties for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's, 66-67.

Novelties in gents' smoking jackets just received for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's, 66-67.

The largest and best assortment of Christmas candies in the city at Wood Bros', 66-67.

Wm. Niedermeyer purchases coffee every day, and has it fresh constantly on hand, 18-19.

The drymen will give their ball at the tubercle on Wednesday evening, December 24th.

The place to buy your fine plush coats is the 9th store. You will save 50 per cent, 18-19.

Ye hungry mortals, go to Combs & Inman's restaurant for the best meals in the city, 64-65.

Foreign and domestic fruits and choice cut-groceries at P. & C. 235 Opera Block, 64-65.

George W. Ehrhart's coal yard and show is north of Shillabarger's mill, on Water street, 18-19.

There will be a ball at the hall of Emeka Assembly, K. of L., on the evening of the 30th, 66-67.

The tramp has gone into winter quarters or at least they are not so numerous as a few weeks ago.

Get your far recovered from the wounds received on Thanksgiving night as to be able to get about.

Revival meetings being held at Jones Chapel and the Church of God are proving very successful.

When in need of coal or wood call on P. D. Caldwell and see what he can do for you, Telephone 306, 64-65.

Nice Florida oranges at P. & C. 235. In short, if you want a good Christmas dinner, call on them, 64-65.

D. H. Heilman has just received a consignment of oranges direct from Florida, which are now on sale, 64-65.

May Bros. sell California fruit and choice apples. Also the best wheat flour for the cakes to eat with the syrup.

Christmas books, cheapest albums, cheapest Bibles, and lower prices on everything at the City Book Store, 66-67.

Miss S. C. Watson's Haworth Block for millinery of all kinds, ladies' and children's under wear, &c., 64-65.

Canned and bulk oysters and fresh oysters at P. R. Neamen & Co.'s at their new store next to Millin's Bank, 64-65.

Prescott has them! What? Just the pianos and organs suitable for Christmas presents and at prices for the times, 62-63.

Dolls of all kinds and prices at the 9th store. Also toys and games of all kinds, and cheaper than the cheap set, 18-19.

Oil paintings, real gold leaf frames 2x26 for \$9.50 at the 9th store. Just the thing for Christmas presents, 18-19.

Frostbitten ears, fingers and feet are abundant now. It is not unusual to see ears as large and red as four-pound beets.

News seems scarce as well as money and a few lines in business would certainly give the local editors more material to work with.

Charles Little Liver Pil's will positively cure sick headache and pre-

vent its return. This is not talk, but truth. One pill a dose. To be had of all druggists. See advertisement.

Morehouse, Wells & Co. show nearly three hundred patterns of pocket knives, varying in price from five cents to three dollars.

The ice on the river is rapidly increasing in thickness and the boys out skating now have no fears of venturing any place on it.

See the elegant line of Carvers displayed by Morehouse & Wells, and don't let the tea pots and scissors escape your attention.

If you do not want to fall on the slippery sidewalks, wear a pair of Ice-Clippers. You can get good ones from Morehouse, Wells & Co.

Guns and revolvers at greatly reduced prices to reduce stock before Jan. 1st. E. C. Reese, 257 N. Main St., 66-67.

Leave orders with P. & C. for fresh dressed poultry, dressed immediately on receipt of order, 235 Opera Block, 64-65.

P. D. Caldwell can furnish you with coal or wood (all kinds) on short notice. Telephone 306. Always bottom prices, 64-65.

Call at R. N. Houghton's and see the picture of old Santa Claus, painted by F. M. Creators, of this city. Young and old will appreciate it, 64-65.

Snyder's pure green fruit preserves are kept by May Bros. at their grocery on South Main street. Try them for an appetizer at lunch or for dessert, 18-19.

An electric light has been placed in Newell Bros' grocery store and their patrons have every advantage when trading at night to see what they are purchasing.

Remember that the City Book Store has the largest variety of Christmas Cards, and more of them, at lower prices than elsewhere in the city, 66-67.

Prizes of turkeys, chickens and cash will be had for at the shooting gallery on Prairie street, opposite the brick floor, to-day and every day till New Years, 1885.

You can buy anything in a nice present you want very cheap, and a new stock to select from at R. N. Houghton's new book store, East Eldorado street, 64-65.

Van Allen had an other large crowd of skaters at his rink last evening and for a number of hours they enjoyed the pleasure of skating. There will be skating again this evening.

R. N. Houghton is bound not to be outdone in toys, books, Christmas cards and fancy goods. Call and see bargains at his new book store, East Eldorado street, 64-65.

Lafayette Hamilton, who has been declared insane, will be taken to Jacksonville in a few days for treatment. His friends hope that his derangement may only be temporary.

Bob Ferguson endeavors to throw a stone about everything, but he never said that Abel & Locke's is not his best and cheapest place to buy carpets and wall paper, 19-20.

Get or not out, we guarantee prices at the City Book Store as anywhere else, and the largest assortment of nice holiday goods in the city. Go and see for yourselves, 66-67.

I would like a few more scholars in painting and painting. Orders for painting landscapes or flower-compliments attend to. I also paint in ink, satin, plush and velvet. —Melzie C. Lutz.

Mrs. F. J. Sadgewick and Mrs. C. B. Moore entertained the Red-tailed club at the handsome residence of Dr. Johns last evening. Those present passed the evening very pleasantly playing cards.

The drymen's ball will be given on Christmas eve, December 24th, at the tubercle. Tickets one dollar. A splendid time is expected. All vers of the dance should attend. Johnson's full orchestra, 64-65.

In spite of hard times the Decatur Street railway is flourishing. New cars have been recently laid and while other people are reducing employees, President Priest has just raised the car drivers' wages \$5 a month.

The local dealers will commence their annual harvest next Monday and Tuesday, providing the present weather holds out. From present indications there will be no doubt a good crop in the river by last time.

Lizzie Allison, a Decatur actress, will appear with the "Irish Vagabonds" next Wednesday evening. To the theatrical profession and outside world she is known as Lizzie Remington, and is a general favorite.

I. P. Pack & Co. receive country butter regularly from the country, and are the best butter makers in the county, and persons wishing a first-class article, pure, fresh and sweet, should call on them at Telephone No. 5, 17-18.

This best on earth, can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Syrup, which is a sure and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, swellings and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by druggists.

If you want good syrup, fine Florida oranges, bananas, dates, figs, pine-apples, candied preserves, oysters in bulk or can you get them at P. & C.'s, 235 N. Water street, when they are found, a full line of staples and fancy groceries, 17-18.

The safest bet on the election and one far superior to "hedging" was made in the west between a young man and woman. If Blaine won the young man was to marry the young girl; if Cleveland, then the young girl was to marry the young man.

Peoria has already awakened to the fact that she will have to work hard for the state fair if she wants it for the next two years. Dowd, of the Democrat, and Baldwin of the Journal, have been down at Spring-

field placing their respective claims on the State Board of Agriculture with a view to having the fair located in the city of Decatur. Decatur people should be their themselves if they wish to win.

Circuit court was not adjourned yesterday afternoon until after the holidays as it was expected to do. An adjournment was taken until Monday morning when business will be resumed and closely followed until V. do not evening, when the holiday adjournment will take place.

See the advertisement of "Silver Metal" spoons and forks. These goods are made from a composition of metals which are not tarnish in ordinary acids found in food any more than solid silver. They are very reasonable in price and well worth your investigation.

A Providence military firm failed for \$50,000. It is supposed that some soldier refused to pay for his wife's spring bonnet, and the result was a total collapse. Any man who will sell a woman a bonnet on credit and not get a mortgage on all her husband's property is a scoundrel.

Austrian club sporting powder, made especially for breech loading guns. Suits everybody—burns moist, clean, strong, and gives great penetration. Sold by E. C. Reese, 257 N. Main St., 66-67.

Yesterday was arraignment day in the circuit court and the prisoners who have been in jail were allowed an opportunity to plead. Five of them said they were guilty of the crimes charged and four of the number were sent to the penitentiary and one to thirty days in the county jail.

It is cold, of course it is, but it is good healthy weather, particularly if people keep warmly clad. They should wear good, warm underclothing throughout the winter. Ladies should go to Miss S. C. Watson's, in Haworth Block, for ladies' and children's all-wool knit underwear. There are bargains to be had, 64-65.

Leave your orders with Miss S. J. Sharpe, at No. 103 Prairie street, north end of Central Block, in millinery, hair and fancy goods. Mrs. Dawson has charge of hair and dressing department. Orders for hats, chains, front, curls, switches and everything in our line promptly done, 64-65.

Having bought the finest line of ladies' and gentlemen's pocket watches and any number of carries, would like to have you call and see them. We have knives with ladies' designs, glove hooks, etc., just in for Christmas presents.

E. C. Reese, 257 N. Main St., 66-67.

A grand excursion to California via New Orleans and the World's Exposition will leave Chicago over the Illinois Central railroad at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, January 15th. This is an overland tour of unparalleled interest and attraction. For full particulars apply to A. H. Hanson, general passenger agent, I. C. R. R., Chicago, or Geo. W. Kerr, general tourist agent, 313 Tennessee Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

The Decatur Coal company would inform the citizens of Decatur who desire to use Decatur coal that they cannot get it by ordering it of R. McClelland, E. L. Martin or F. J. Caldwell, as the coal company does not any longer sell their coal, not for personal reasons, but because they are the agents of other coal shipped here from other mines. Order direct from the shaft or leave orders at Armstrong's drug store in the city. Mr. I. O. Egan will collect orders for Decatur coal, 64-65.

The contents of a small boys' pocket watch frequently furnished newspaper paragraphs and afforded readers a good laugh but they have seldom described a bigger variety of articles than Al Morgan took from his pockets of his eighty-year-old son, Bertie, yesterday noon. A thorough search revealed the following: Five handkerchiefs, a spoon, an ear of field corn, several buttons, a mitten, a handful of pop corn, a half dozen pieces of an old jack-knife, two pieces of lead, a small slate pencil, a small stick and a brass thimble.

In the January Harper's by way of contrast with our wintry weather, Dr. Bacon Phillips will describe the sunny delights of "The Cruise of the Walloway" along the Florida coast. The Walloway was a seaborne yacht chartered at Cedar Keys by a party of six Northern tourists, and her crew of three weeks off the west coast of Florida was made at a cost of about \$400. Those who wish to know "how to do it" for themselves will be especially interested in the paper, which will have charming illustrations from the pen of R. S. Swain G. Ford and others.

A great deal of trouble has been experienced during the past few days in getting the new steam boats in the circuit clerk's office to work satisfactorily. The furnace in the basement wouldn't draw and for some time the chimney on the east end of the court house had caved in and was choked up so that scarcely any smoke could issue from it. The chimney was to be repaired and the boilers will soon be in working order or at least the boys in the office hope they will be.

The first annual meeting of the Decatur Mutual Life and Accident Relief Association will be held at their office in Decatur, Ill., on Saturday, December 20th, at 1 o'clock p.m. At this meeting a new Board of Directors will be elected and a full report of the entire work of the office during the past year will be presented to the members. Also other important business will come before the members. All members are requested to be present, also all citizens who wish to see what the association has done during the past year. All are invited, by order Committee, 64-65.

## PERSONAL

Judge Smith went to Chicago last evening.

L. Fluery is still confined to his room with sickness.

Dr. Watz's little daughters have been ill for a few days past.

Barney Clark is home from Minnesota, where he is engaged in the milling business.

Deputy United States Marshal Al Ripley, of Springfield, was in the city last evening.

Tom Baldwin, of Pana, is in the city a guest of his brother, Cabel, the Wabash clerk.

David Williams, of Mt. Zion, spent the night in the city, a guest of F. A. Backingham, Esq.

Harry Whitney, advance agent of Joseph Dowling's "Nobody's Claim" company was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. W. R. Abbot is home from Terre Haute and Delphi, Ind., where she visited for several days this week.

Charley Housum has greatly improved in his condition, but as yet has been unable to leave his residence.

Mr. Theo. Ives leaves this morning for Taylorville, on business connected with the Central Business College.

President Frank Priest, of the narrow gauge street railway went to Chicago last evening to visit his daughter.

Mr. Henry C. Page, one of the teachers at the High school, leaves this morning for New Orleans to attend the World's Exposition.

K. P. Taylor, state Sunday school evangelist of the Christian church, was in the city last evening and remained over night, a guest of T. W. Pinkerton.

Will Williams, clerk of the Benis House at Pekin, was in the city yesterday on his way to St. Louis, where he will visit his brother for a week or more.

Joseph Enos and Miss Rhoda E. Backus were married on Thursday evening, at the residence of William Gherhart, on North Calhoun street, by Rev. S. P. Hay.

John B. Gough, the lecturer, and his niece, Miss Whitcomb, left yesterday afternoon for St. Louis and from there to Kansas City, where he will lecture on Monday.

Charles Holland, an engineer on the C. & D. running out of Indianapolis, was in the city yesterday calling on friends. He formerly lived here and is quite well known.

John Trainer is now writing another book entitled "How to teach and grade county schools." Mr. Trainer has a able work on history that is receiving much praise and attaining a great circulation. —Illinois State Center.

Mr. J. P. Kitch, the gentlemanly representative of the State Journal, Springfield, was in the city yesterday looking after the interests of the Journal. While here he promptly paid a lot of a box of cigars which he ordered and lost on the Grand Knight, and the Review scribbles while working them, will remember the sufferer with feelings of true kindness, and wish him better luck next time—provided he don't bet on the same side again.

Charitable Children.

The children in the 5th, 6th and 7th grades of the Third ward school having the past day or so displayed a charitable and christian like spirit, some of which some older heads might take a hint and follow so worthy an example. With the winter upon us so suddenly the pupils in the grades mentioned realized that in many a home there would be a woeful lack of the comforts of life, and they therefore determined to relieve the suffering as far as was in their power. A collection was taken up among them and three tons of coal purchased, two of which have already been distributed among destitute and needy poor, who received the donation gratefully. A general collection was taken among the children of the entire school with which to purchase provisions for deserving poor. Such sweet charity as this coming from the hearts of the children, is certainly commendable.

High School Literary Society.

The regular weekly meeting of the High School literary society was held last evening, and there was a good attendance of members. The exercises opened with recitations by Robert Dillon and Frank Jack. A very pretty vocal duet was rendered by Misses Louise Bear and Ida Cain, following which Leo Heibner entertained the society with a choice selection on the violin. The debate was on the question, Resolved, That convict labor should be abolished. Harry Wentz and John McGeer took the negative and Will VanLeer and Dave Cloud, the affirmative side of the question. The judges decided in favor of Messrs. Wentz and McGeer. Next Friday evening will be a treat, when an unusually fine program will be rendered. The debate will be on the Spanish reciprocity treaty, which is now engaging public attention.

"Bound not to be undersold in Christmas goods," as some local dealer have advertised. Now for fun but I do not mean fun. Nor I do not mean to deceive the people by advertising old stock as all new. Now I can say, my entire stock of children's Christmas books, plush toilet cases, work boxes, albums, Christmas cards, oil paintings, anything you want in a nice present, is all new, and all of which will be sold by January 1st, regardless of cost, at my New Book Store in the building recently occupied by Dinneen & Dorie, East Eldorado street. —R. N. Houghton, 64-65.

## SURPRISED SUPERINTENDENT.

Prof. E. A. Gastman, superintendent of the Decatur public schools, was the victim of a pleasant surprise visitation from the teachers of the schools last evening, and the receipt of a valuable gold watch from them. He and Mrs. G. a new took with Mr. and Mrs. Silas Parkard, but shortly after they were notified to return home and entertain a company of friends. Never dreaming that he would meet more than a few neighbors, the professor and wife hurried homeward. The lights were turned down low, but as soon as the victim was indoors a full head of gas was turned on and his surprised gaze fell on the body of teachers. The first surprise was quickly followed by the watch presentation and then the affair was complete. Mrs. A. E. Murphy made the presentation and when the Professor recovered himself he made a few remarks of thanks to the generous donors.

The watch is a Waltham, and was made to the order of W. R. Abbot & Co., from whom it was purchased. On the outside of the case is a band some monogram, "E. A. G." which was worked in when the watch was made. Inside is the inscription "1883—Teachers of Decatur Public Schools to Enoch A. Gastman—1885." The 1883 represents the year when Prof. Gastman came to Decatur. He taught for two years, but in 1862 he entered upon the duties of superintendent and has held the position with credit to himself ever since. The presentation of the watch will always be remembered by him as one of the happiest events in the whole course of his residence in Decatur.

New Officers.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year at a meeting of Beaucaumont Commandery, No. 9 Knights Templar, held on Thursday evening:

J. N. Baker, Emment Com.  
F. M. Young, Generalissimo.  
W. H. Starr, Captain General.  
W. H. Moore, Prelate.  
W. H. Aesch, S. W.  
W. J. Wayne, J. W.  
Wm. H. Boyd, Treasurer.  
N. L. Krone, Recorder.  
Enos Kuyper, Standard Bearer.  
S. D. May, Sword Bearer.  
G. M. Labadie, Captain of Guard.  
W. M. Gaddis, M. G. Patterson and F. M. Bashier, Guards.

D. S. Shillabarger & Co., will deliver any part of the city until further notice.

Corn per bushel, 35 cents.  
Oats (well cleaned) per bushel, 27 cents.  
Brass 100 lbs. 60 cents.  
White shorts 100 lbs. 80 cents.  
Corn chops 100 lbs. 80 cents.  
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Metropolitan and Operatic

2,655 NIGHTS' ATTRACTION, the popularity of the Holman Brothers and King Film Makers of all time.

The Jolly Pathfinders

Appearing in the Latest, Grandest Musical Comedy, "The Jolly Pathfinders"

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BY ORDER OF THE INSURANCE  
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# THE LAST GREAT CUT!

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THE  
DEEPEST CUT  
OF ALL!  
ONLY A FEW DAYS MORE

(UNTIL INVOICING TIME) of the

## Great Clothing Sale!

Don't miss the LAST OPPORTUNITY to buy good clothing for LESS MONEY than the cost of manufacture.

1,300 Overcoats yet to sell. Among the lot will be found some of the finest Beavers, Kerseys, Meltons, Chinchillas, Ulsters and Ulsteretts, in all sizes and prices, that defy competition.

For \$5 we will sell you a genuine English Kersey, worth \$15 at any other dealer's.

For \$35 you can buy a genuine all-wool Chinchilla Overcoat, worth elsewhere \$135.00.

A fine English Melton for \$6.25 worth \$18.

\$5 for a genuine Worsted Overcoat worth \$15; only 12 of them left.

Remember, if you want these bargains you must come at once; don't delay and then complain when you come and find them all gone. We have them now but they may be sold to-morrow.

835 Men's Suits, comprising fine Casimires, Worsteds, Beavers, Cloths, etc.

For \$3 you can buy a Cassimere Suit former price \$9.50.

A fine, all-wool Cassimere Suit for \$5, worth \$12.50.

\$6.25 will give you the choice of eight different kinds of wool worsteds, not one suit of them worth less than \$15.

These goods are in perfect order and considered cheap in other stores at \$15.00.

Boys' Overcoats at \$1.50.

Children's Overcoats at \$1.25.

Cassimere Pants, men's sizes, \$1 worth \$3.50.

Hats and Caps at your own price. Only a few left and they must go at once.

Boy's Suits at \$2.00 and up to \$3.50 and \$4 worth treble the money.

Odd Coats at \$1.25 worth \$3.50 and \$5.00.

THIS IS A SURE SALE.

The prices talk.

COME AND SEE US.

Bring this paper with you and call for the advertised goods.

Great New York Fire Store,

Carter Block,

West Side Old Square, Decatur, Illinois.

## THE REVIEW.

JACK & HISE, Proprietors, Illinois  
East Main street, Decatur, Illinois

DAILY.  
Delivered by carrier or by mail, per week, \$1.00  
Three months in advance, \$2.50  
Six months in advance, \$4.50  
A year in advance, \$8.00  
Not paid in advance, per year, \$1.00  
Specimen numbers sent free on application.

## A THRILLING SCENE.

Fire Sweeps Away a Catholic Institute for Orphans in Brooklyn.

Fears that Several Children and One Sister of Mercy Have Lost Their Lives.

Nearly Eight Hundred Fatherless Children Turned Adrift in a Snow-Storm.

## FLAMES IN AN ASYLUM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Catholic Male Orphan Asylum, at St. Mark's and Albany avenues, Brooklyn, burned yesterday afternoon, and it is feared some of the children perished in the flames. The sisters in charge think all escaped, but can not tell until the roster of boys is called. The little fellows are now scattered about in care of residents in the neighborhood. The fire started in the drying-room, which adjoined the southern end of the main building. This drying-room also contained the boilers and heating apparatus, with a dormitory on the third floor, in which there were sixty orphans suffering from various complaints. Sister Mary Josephine, who was in the dormitory at the time the fire broke out, made heroic efforts to save the little ones. She remained in the room until absolutely driven out by the flames. Then she ran to the window, where she stood upon a cornice until a fireman from the roof of the building saw her and took her to her. The sister caught the coat, but when the fireman tried to pull her from the perilous position she lost her grasp and fell to the ground, striking upon her shoulder and head. She was conveyed to St. Catherine's Hospital in an unconscious condition. Joseph Ryan, a boy, tried to descend by a ladder from the same floor—the third. He got within eight feet of the ground, when the ladder parted. He received severe injuries. John McGrath, eight years old, jumped from the third story and was badly injured.

Mother de Chantal and Sister Anthony were in the office when the fire was discovered. They at once gave the alarm and proceeded to get the children out of the building. There were 785 orphans in the main building, which is also known as St. John's Home. They were told to leave the home and seek shelter in any neighboring house until called for. Hundreds of the little fellows ran out into the falling snow, hatless and coatless. The flames spread with great rapidity, and the buildings were almost completely destroyed. The asylum and grounds occupied the entire block. The asylum building was 210 by 150 feet, three stories high, with narrow roof, and was constructed of blue stone.

There were about thirty sisters in the asylum, and a number of them went out with the boys, but it was impossible to keep the little fellows together. They sought refuge in car-stables, dwellings, saloons and stores near by. Children were running out of every entrance on both St. Mark's and Albany avenues. Many of them were blind, deaf, but were soon provided with clothing of one kind or another by the neighbors.

One of the boys in the asylum said the fire was caused by a sister who went into the drying-room with a lighted candle and accidentally set some clothes on fire. The flames, the boy said, leaped up in a moment and all who were in the room ran out.

Father Eugene P. Mahoney, who was in charge of the building, thinks all the children escaped. He gives credit to the firemen for their work. On the night of November 9, 1923, the former Catholic Orphan Asylum building was burned during a driving snow-storm, and three children burned to death. The asylum building destroyed yesterday was valued at \$290,000, and was insured.

It was announced at a late hour last night that Sister Mary Josephine, who fell from a third story window, was dead. There were fire-escapes on the inside courts, but beyond this there were no appliances for saving life or extinguishing the fire. The wooden main tower, with a high wind at the time, contributed much toward the destruction of the asylum.

## Cable Cars for Three Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Almeria H. Lightall is the inventor of the cable method of car transit now in successful operation in San Francisco and Chicago, and it is proposed to introduce the system in the States of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. For this purpose a company has been organized with a capital of \$5,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$25 each. This company will organize subordinate companies and dispose of local rights in the States named. The company is known as the New York, New Jersey & Pennsylvania Railroad Cable Company, and the principal office will be in this city. Thomas C. Platt, President of the United States Express Company, New York, Eastern and Chicago, and H. Crosby, of this city, are the principal organizers of the company in this city. Mr. Lightall is also one of the incorporators.

## Vain Effort to Divide an Indiana Town.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 19.—Several years ago the residents of this city living on the south side of the Wabash River withdrew from the city and sued for release from the corporation. They claimed to be entitled to release on the ground that the Federal law prohibits a city from being divided by a navigable stream unless the same be artificial. It was held that the Wabash River at this point was navigable, and the Circuit Court gave a decision in favor of the claimants. The case was taken to the State Supreme Court which yesterday reversed the previous decision and declared the south side to be still a part of the city.

## Mrs. Tabor Recovers Her Jewels.

CHICAGO, Wis., Dec. 19.—In the Circuit Court yesterday Mrs. Tabor, wife of the Colorado bonanza king, was given the custody of diamonds valued at \$15,000, which had been deposited in a bank by her brother, James McArthur, for safe-keeping. Mrs. Tabor died soon after making the deposit, and the administrator set up a claim for the jewels as a part of the estate of the deceased. The administrator became satisfied of his error in making the claim and consented to Mrs. Tabor taking the property.

## He Gave His Life to Science.

ALBANY, Ga., Dec. 19.—William Holt was a negro employed by Lamar & Co., wholesale chemists of this city. In passing a mortar yesterday he struck a mixture of chlorate of potash and a hard blow with a pestle. The explosion that followed killed Holt and knocked out all the windows.

## THE COLD SNAP.

Continued Low Temperature Throughout the Northwest Heavy Snow-Storms in Virginia and South Carolina.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—The thermometer at two o'clock this morning stood 15 degrees below zero. From the Signal Service Station it is learned that at ten o'clock last night the thermometer at the points named registered as follows: Indianapolis, 10 degrees below; Duluth, Minn., 21 below; Des Moines, Ia., 15 below; Bismarck, D. T., 12 below; Buffalo, N. Y., 10 below; St. Paul, Minn., 10 below; Omaha, Neb., 4 below. There is a heavy snow blockade at Portland, Oregon, no trains having arrived there since Monday. At Richmond, Va., snow fell all day yesterday, the thermometer dropping 20 degrees in a short time. At Petersburg, Va., snow a so fell freely, the storm extending as far south as Weldon, N. C.

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 19.—Reports from nearly all shipping points on the Illinois Central line state that for the past three days farmers' deliveries of grain at the stations have almost ceased, owing to the extreme cold weather, the mercury running to 20 and 25 below zero. The river closed yesterday.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 19.—Wednesday night was the coldest experienced here this winter. The thermometer fell to 24 degrees below zero. Reports from Lancaster and the western part of the State show the thermometer to have fallen to 20 degrees below zero.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 19.—The thermometer stood at 34 degrees below zero this morning, and it has been so below all day. The trains are somewhat behind on all the roads.

## TREATY WITH SAN DOMINGO.

What Its Provisions Are—Encouragement Offered American Industries.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Herald publishes the full text of the San Domingo treaty and says in regard to it: "All the commercial advantages are not only retained, but every encouragement is given for the introduction of American manufactures and industries. Our legal tender standard of gold and silver is to be the standard of the Dominican Republic, and the Dominican Republic is to be admitted to the settlement of every dispute which may arise from such commercial reciprocity. These are some of the intrinsic merits of the treaty, but the greater one is held in view by the administration, namely, as the harbor of San Juan will eventually become the great coaling station of the European world's new highway of commerce via Nicaragua to the Pacific, and this harbor will, it is believed, under the benefits of the treaty as now awaits ratification, be also the site of our American colony and not less important than the ones that are to grow up at either terminus of the inter-oceanic canal. The treaty is the policy which proposes to adopt our standard gold and silver coinage as the Dominican standard, and to admit our silver coinage for circulation there, will not only prepare the way for the American interest in San Domingo, but will be of advantage to our mercantile interests with that country."

## A Cowardly Murder.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 19.—About eight o'clock p. m. Wednesday a farmer named Harrington, living two miles from Geneva, was called to his door by a knock, and opening it, was confronted by a masked man, who, sighting a long-barreled revolver, demanded: "I want your money. Harrington took a small sum from his pockets and handed it to the robber, who took it and said: "That isn't all; I want the balance." That moment the handkerchief fell from his eyes, and Mrs. Harrington, standing near, exclaimed: "Oh, I know him! You do, do you?" shouted the ruffian. "Take that, then," and he fired, the bullet going through her shoulder. She ran out of the house and to a neighbor's for help, returning with friends. Traces of a desperate struggle were found in the house and Harrington lay dead on the floor, with a bullet-hole in his forehead. Mrs. Harrington recognized the murderer as a fellow named Teck, who lives two miles from the farm. Citizens are securing the country for him.

## Excellent in the Handling of a Rifle.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—General Oyama, the Japanese Minister of War, paid a visit to General Hancock at Governor's Island Wednesday, and was received with a salute of twenty guns. The tug Chester A. Arthur took him and his suite down to Fort Hamilton, and from thence to old Fort Lafayette, where the long dynamite gun had been set up. General Oyama, a Japanese first fired the dynamite gun. He watched closely the process of loading it. The General astonished the party by some extraordinary fine shooting with a repeating rifle. A member of the American Rifle Club first fired six shots at eight balls and hit four of the six. General Oyama then took the gun and, after examining it closely, brought it to his shoulder and shattered the first ball through up. He then broke the next five without a miss.

## Coke Ovens Shut Down.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 19.—The Connellsville Coke Syndicate yesterday decided to shut down ten per cent. more of their ovens. This restriction will leave but forty per cent. of the ovens controlled by the coke producers. The syndicate is a combination to assert that, for the purpose of breaking up the pool and reducing prices, the pig-iron men are supporting outside producers.

## Sentenced to Death.

CHARLESTON, Ill., Dec. 19.—Yesterday the jury in the Chapman murder case found the prisoner guilty, and sentenced him to suffer the death penalty. Chapman murdered Nicholas Hubbard at Wumboat, this county, August 17, 1881. Hubbard was a well-to-do bachelor farmer. The object of the murder was robbery.

## Charged with Sharing in a Big Robbery.

BENHARTON, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Pinkerton last night arrested George H. Proctor, formerly foreman of the boiler shops at Susquehanna, who is said to be ring-leader in the \$40,000 robbery of the United States Express Company a year ago last June. Proctor is in jail. Other arrests will soon follow.

## Railroad Business Depressed.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—It is stated on high authority that owing to the general depression in trade, the closing of manufacturing in all parts of the country, and the slow movement of grain, the railroads running east from here are doing scarcely more than half the business done at the same time last year.

## New Orleans Operators Did Not Strike.

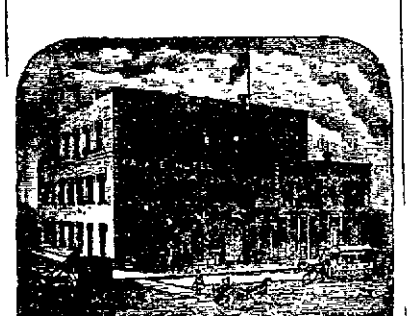
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—There is no truth in the report that there is a strike of the telegraph operators here.

## Young Men

Can buy dancing shoes in patent leather and kid very cheap at J. W. Baker's, also a line of embroidered slippers for holiday presents. Go and see them. 226d&wt

Go to Wingate's lamp store and buy one of those steam washing machines, if you want to see the dirt roll out of your clothes without a lot of rubbing. 291

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